recognize Dr. Schauben as the first Floridian to be elected to this prestigious position.

In 1992, Dr. Schauben developed and implemented the Florida/U.S. Virgin Islands Poison Information Center in Jacksonville, Florida. Today, the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center—Jacksonville continues to work in improving the three-center Statewide Florida Poison Information Center Network. Dr. Schauben has been Director of Jacksonville center, located at UF–Health Jacksonville Medical Center, since 1996. His work is both widely known and greatly admired. He holds the rank of Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine within the College of Medicine and the Department of Pharmacotherapy and Translational Research in the College of Pharmacy, University of Florida Health Science Center. Since 1987, he has held board-certification in Clinical Toxicology by the American Board of Applied Toxicology and was awarded the status as a Fellow of the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology. Dr. Schauben also has served as President and At-Large Member to the Board of Directors of the American Board of Applied Toxicology. He is a member of the International Society for Disease Surveillance.

Dr. Schauben is a recognized expert witness in the field of clinical toxicology and often consults with federal and state agencies on issues relating to toxic exposures, poisonings and overdoses. Under the National Disaster Medical System, he held a Federal Emergency Management Agency/Department of Homeland Security rank of Deputy Commander for the Florida-4 Disaster Medical Assistance Team. In addition, he has authored 54 journal articles and 21 chapters in major medical textbooks and is the Associate Editor for the Advanced HAZMAT Life Support Course.

Although larger states have more than one center, the nation has 55 poison control centers that cover every state, Puerto Rico, the Federated States of Micronesia, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Guam. Callers are provided free, 24-hour professional advice on poisons and treatments. Our Jacksonville Center serves a population of approximately six million people and receives 160–200 calls per day from Floridians in 42 northern and eastern coastal counties and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Florida/USVI Poison Information Center—Jacksonville, under the leadership of Dr. Schauben, conducts a full spectrum of poison prevention educational programs for the general public and health care professionals. The Center serves as a teaching facility for clinical and medical toxicology fellowships; and facilitates academic rotations for nursing, medical and pharmacy students; pharmacy, emergency medicine and other health professional residents in training; pediatric critical care fellows and pediatric emergency medicine fellows.

One of the highlights of the year in Jacksonville is the children's poster contest for National Poison Prevention Week. Jay and his staff have also instituted a video contest, and kids can earn a Deputy badge by completing the Poison Patrol Checklist.

I salute the dedicated hard work of Dr. Schauben, and his well-deserved recognition by fellow colleagues in electing him President of the Board of Directors of the AAPCC.

SUPPORTING THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2015

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of small businesses, American manufacturing and good jobs right here at home. I rise to support reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank.

The simple reality is that 95% of the globe's consumers live outside of America's borders. Therefore, our ability to export American products around the world has a direct impact on many small, medium and large companies' ability to create and sustain jobs. Unfortunately, many potential global customers are not able to secure the necessary financing to complete a purchase from an American company because of the instability of their region or other circumstances.

In order to connect these American exporters with their buyers around the globe, the Ex-Im Bank can provide vital loans to complete transactions with American companies that otherwise may not have occurred. The economic impacts here at home are significant. Last year, the Ex-Im Bank provided financing for $27.5 billion in U.S. exports, supporting more than 160,000 jobs. Importantly, nearly 90% of Ex-Im transactions involved U.S. small businesses last year, supporting nearly $11 billion in exports.

Some have called for ending the Ex-Im Bank on the grounds that it competes with the private market—that's just not the case. The Ex-Im Bank simply levels the playing field and fills the gaps that exist in the private credit market. Additionally, the Ex-Im Bank brings in a surplus of dollars to the U.S. Treasury each year, which isn't something we can say about a whole lot of Federal agencies. Last year, Ex-Im sent nearly $700 million back to the Treasury as a surplus. And over the past two decades, this surplus has been nearly $7 billion.

Ex-Im supports good paying jobs in Illinois, and not only at great companies like Caterpillar and John Deere, but also at small and medium sized businesses such as GSI Group in Assumption, IL and Litania Sports Group in Champaign, IL. With the June 30th deadline looming, we simply cannot afford to put these jobs at risk and we must reauthorize the Ex-Im bank. I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join me in supporting reauthorization of the job-creating Ex-Im bank.